

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant : Zafar Iqbal, et al.  
Title : Corrosion Resistant Coated Fuel Cell Plate  
With Graphite Protective Barrier and Methods of Making Same  
  
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Examiner : T. Dove  
  
Docket No. : 19441-0019  
Customer No. : 29052

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 9, 2003, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the accompanying remarks and the Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 enclosed herewith.

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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